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Attention: Mr. R. Monti, Construction Manager
World Trade Center

Subject: Health Aspects of CAFCO C/F Firepr

Gentlemen:

With the introduction of very stringent regulations governing the use of asbestos in the United Kingdom, several years ago our Company commenced resea and development work on a product line which would not be subject to those regulations.

These new products, called CAFCO C/F fibers, have been tested and listed by Underwriters' Laboratories as well as other testing authorities, the result of which show them to be equal in performance to asbestos-containing materials.

In developing these products, we specifically selected components which are classed as "inert" materials. The principal component is manufactured mineral wool, a vitreous fiber which has been in use for over 100 years and has no adverse health effects history. Mineral wool and the other components of CAFCO C/F fibers are considered "Inert or Nuisance Particulates" by the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists. A new threshold limit value has been recommended by ACGIH for these nuisance dusts at 15 mg/M^3 or 50 mppcf. Tests run by Mellon Institute showed no asbestos and no free crystalline silica in CAFCO C/F material.

On Tuesday, May 26, 1970, representatives of our Company and our Medical Consultants, Robert T. P. deTreville, M.D., Sc.D., and Paul Gross, M.D., (Biographical Sketches enclosed) met with Commissioners Kretchmer and Rickles, seeking their approval of our CAFCO C/F fibers. They were not prepared to discuss our products as their decision is to be based on the recommendation of the City's Medical Advisory Board.

A report will be prepared promptly by our consultants, giving the opinion of competent medical authority as to the health safety of CAFCO C/F fibers, and delivered to the New York City Environmental Protection Administration for review and recommendation by the Medical Advisory Board. We are prepared to participate in further meetings as required.

Yours very truly,

J. P. Verhalen,
President

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